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Application No.: 09/716,016

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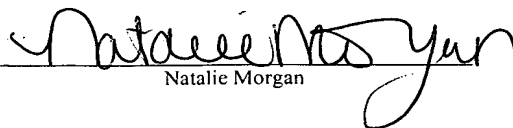
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AMENDMENT B

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 4, 2004 ("Office Action"), please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

A Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.



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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

| | Claims After Amendment | | Highest Previously Paid For | Present Extra | Small Entity Rate Fee | Large Entity Rate Fee |
|--|------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Total Claims | 14 | MINUS | 20 | 00 | x 9 = | x 18 = 0 |
| Independent Claims | 03 | MINUS | 03 | 00 | x 43 = | x 86 = 0 |
| Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid | | | | | \$140.00 | \$280.00 |
| Total | | | | | \$ | \$00 |



Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.



Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. NOVLP081D1).

Respectfully submitted,
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